

Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr. received a 100 percent rating from the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda (NHLA) for his voting record in the first and second sessions of the 108th Congress. Jackson's voting record demonstrates his commitment to ensuring that all Americans, including members of the Hispanic community, are able to participate fully in all aspects of American life through the protection of their civil rights and the provision of government programs.

"I take pride in representing the Second District of Illinois which has an increasingly diverse population. Clearly, Hispanics play an active and important role in our community, and we must promote policies that support and strengthen their interests," said Jackson. "I am pleased to have received such a high rating from the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda, which reflects my commitment to the needs of Hispanic Americans."

The NHLA created its scorecard by compiling voting records on various issues that have important consequences for Hispanics and their families. In the areas of education, health care, civil rights, immigration, jobs, and economic security and opportunity, Jackson's votes advanced the well-being and aspirations of all members of the Hispanic community.

"I will continue to address the issues that are important to Hispanic families in Illinois – improving education to open the doors of opportunity, providing access to affordable health care, and giving Hispanic families the tools they need to succeed," said Jackson.

Founded in 1991, the NHLA is a non-partisan coalition of national public policy and civil rights organizations and leaders from across the United States whose mission is to provide the Hispanic community with greater visibility and a clearer, stronger voice in the nation's affairs. The NHLA's scorecard provides essential information to Hispanics about how members of the House and Senate voted on critical issues for Hispanic communities.